

January 24, 2008

**WHITLEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT**

A local/state public hearing was held at the Whitley County Board of Education on January 24, 2008, at 6:00 p. m. (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose an amended District Facility Plan developed by the Whitley County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 15-0 in favor of the proposed revised plan and the Board voted 3-0 (in a special called meeting) to approve the amended plan.

There were (2) two individuals in attendance. Doug Bennett, Director of Instruction, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. Kenneth Powell, Assistant Superintendent, and Lee Schroeder, Safe & Drug Free Schools Coordinator, were present.

COMMENTS

Kenneth Powell called the public hearing to order. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed amended District Facility Plan that includes: **Pleasant View Elementary School**, Purchase of land at a new site, Construction of a new school to replace current school facility; **Whitley County High School**, Purchase of additional land, Relocation & construction of athletic facilities, Addition of a Freshman Academy, Additional classrooms, labs, auditorium, media center & expanded common areas to accommodate future projected increases in the student population.

The floor was opened to anyone who wished to make a statement. There were no statements made.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the revised District Facility Plan developed by the Whitley County Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Whitley County Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Whitley County School District. A copy of the revised plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Doug Bennett, Director of Instruction

Tim Lucas, Facilities Management

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director
Planning File

Att.: Local/State Board Public Hearing Agenda
Whitley County School District Facility Plan